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Contingency fund: consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates

Report of the Secretary-General

1. The consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates falling under the guidelines for the contingency fund contained in the annex to resolution 42/211 of 21 December 1987 is herewith submitted. Potential new charges amounting to $3,888,200 are detailed in the annex to the present report. The amounts indicated in respect of each item correspond to those recommended by the Fifth Committee upon its consideration of individual statements and proposals for revised estimates.

2. In its resolution 57/280 of 20 December 2002, the General Assembly decided that the level of the contingency fund for the biennium 2004-2005 should be set at the level of $21.6 million. The balance of the contingency fund for the biennium 2004-2005, as indicated in resolution 58/272 of 23 December 2003, was $11,314,500, after taking into account charges approved during the main part of the fifty-eighth session, as well as amounts set aside, if needed, for the servicing of the Commission on Human Rights ($193,800) and to provide the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women with complementary funds ($234,700). These "set aside" amounts were not utilized, and additional requirements for 2005 for these activities have been dealt with in the context of the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive and resumed substantive sessions of 2004 (A/59/393 and A/59/393/Add.1) and the statement of programme budget implications on the future operation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/59/16). Consequently, the available balance in the contingency fund for the biennium 2004-2005 is $11,743,000. The consolidated amount of new and potential charges of $3,888,200 at revised 2004-2005 rates detailed in the present report is therefore within the available balance of the contingency fund.

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3. **The Fifth Committee, in accordance with paragraph 5 of the annex to resolution 42/211, may proceed to recommend to the General Assembly the appropriation of the required amounts under the relevant sections of the programme budget as follows:**

Section		*Thousands of United States dollars*
1	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination	824.5
2	General Assembly affairs and conference services	818.0
9	Economic and social affairs	1 183.7
24	Human rights	394.8
29B	Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	505.4
29D	Office of Central Support Services	29.7
29E	Administration, Geneva	11.0
34	Staff assessment	121.1
	Total	**3 888.2**

4. **Should the Committee proceed as above, it should also request the General Assembly to note that a balance of $7,854,800 would remain in the contingency fund.**

Annex

Contingency fund: consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates at revised 2004-2005 rates

	Fifth Committee meeting	*Thousands of United States dollars*
Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive and resumed substantive sessions of 2004 (A/59/393 and A/59/393/Add.1, A/C.5/59/24)	29th and __th meetings	590.5
Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/C.5/59/13, A/C.5/59/24)	29th and __th meetings	505.4
Future operation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/59/16)	29th and __th meetings	1 092.4
Rights of the child (A/C.5/59/22, A/C.5/59/24)	29th and __th meetings	1 699.9
Total		**3 888.2**